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Group Art Unit	1762
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In re Application of:

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SERIAL NO: 09/873,714

GROUP ART UNIT: 1762

FILED: JUNE 4, 2001

EXAMINER: E. TSOY

FOR: PROCESS FOR MULTILAYER
COATING OF SUBSTRATES

**AMENDMENT, RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND ADVISORY ACTION AND
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Sir:

Applicants respond to the Final Rejection mailed on May 14, 2003, and to the Advisory Action mailed on July 31, 2003. A Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, a Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the requisite fee for a one month extension of time accompany this response. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.